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LIMSNET: A HOW-TO GUIDE FOR SAMPLE SUBMISSION

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH LABORATORY

2025

OUR MISSION:

To promote, protect, and improve the health and safety of all Hoosiers.

OUR VISION:

Every Hoosier reaches optimal health regardless of where they live, learn, work, or play.



Objectives

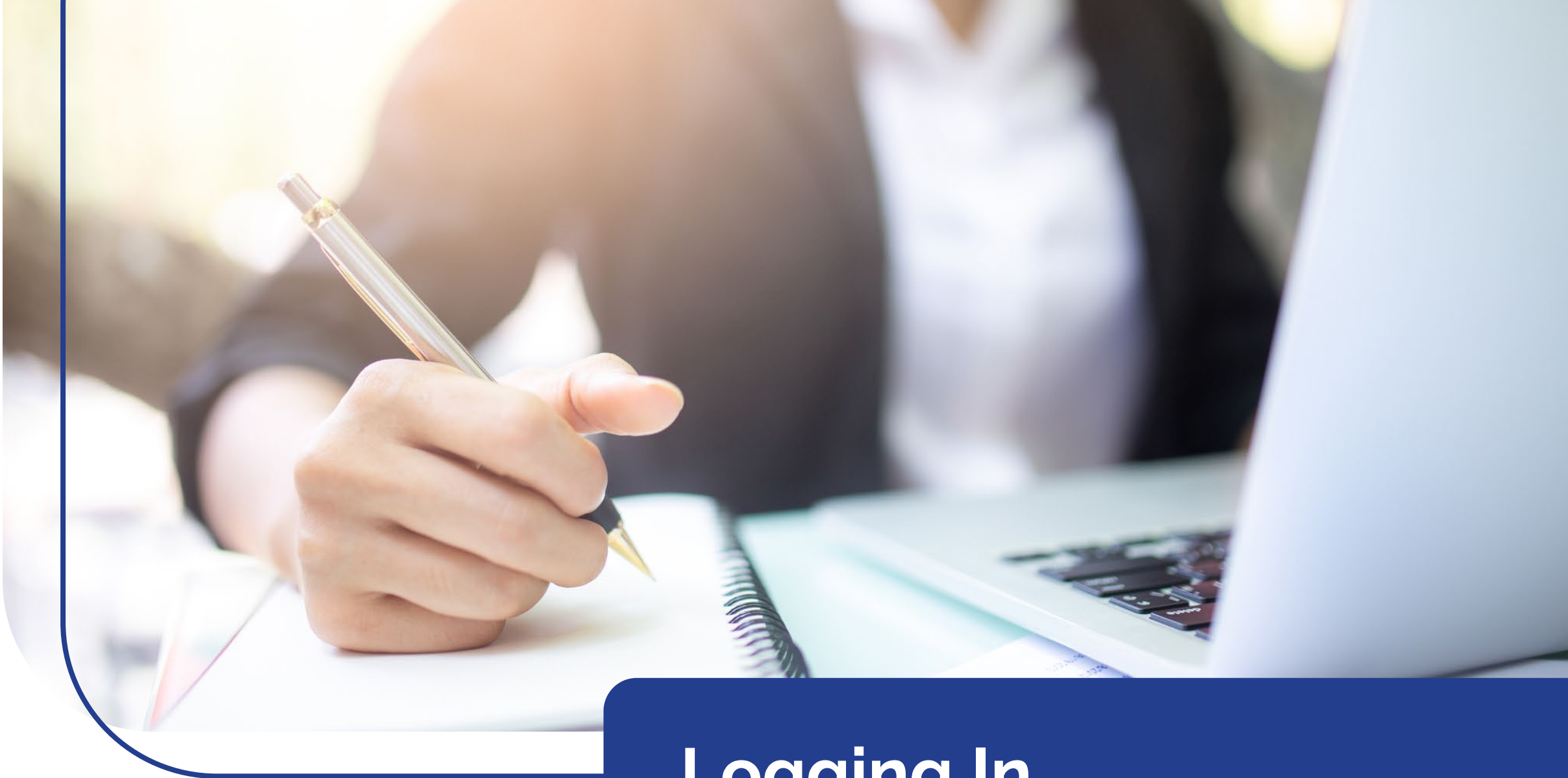
- Demonstrate how to successfully log into LimsNet
- Successfully and correctly log samples into LimsNet
- Successfully print cover page and ship samples to the IDOH Laboratory
- Show how to troubleshoot cover page
- Successfully search for results in LimsNet
- Demonstrate how to change and update personal information in LimsNet

Contact information

Email: LimsAppSupport@health.IN.gov

Help desk: 317-921-5506

- **Do not** leave a message; please email or call again



Logging In



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Logging Into LimsNet

- Go to access.in.gov to log in to Access Indiana
- Log in to Access Indiana with your username and password acquired through the Access Indiana portal or from the LimsNet help desk
- After logging in, select the “LimsNet Clinical and Water Lab Testing” service icon

A screenshot of the Access Indiana website. The header includes the IN.99V logo, the text 'An official website of the Indiana State Government', and links for 'Accessibility Settings', 'Language Translation', and 'Governor Eric J. Holcomb'. The main navigation bar has a 'MENU' icon, the 'Access Indiana' logo, and a 'LOGIN WITH ACCESS INDIANA' button. The main content area features the 'Access Indiana' logo, the heading 'A SINGLE LOGIN & PASSWORD FOR YOUR INDIANA SERVICES', and three paragraphs of text explaining the service. To the right of the text is an illustration of a laptop and a smartphone, both displaying login screens. Below the text is a 'SIGN UP FOR YOUR ACCOUNT' button. At the bottom is a dark blue card with the Indiana Department of Health logo, the text 'LimsNet Clinical and Water Lab Testing Indiana Department of Health', and a 'Hide' button with an eye icon.

Logging Into LimsNet

- Below the login are announcements which may be important to your work
- Please read these announcements daily for pertinent updates



The screenshot shows the LimsNet login interface. At the top, there is the Indiana Department of Health logo. Below it, a welcome message reads 'Welcome Mark Glazier'. A 'Choose Site:' dropdown menu is set to 'ABC TESTING SITE', followed by a 'Proceed' button. A scrollable box contains two announcements: one dated 07/01/2025 regarding CLIA enforcement starting July 1, 2025, and another dated 06/23/2025 regarding specimen collection requirements for chlamydia and gonorrhea testing. At the bottom, there is a 'Need Assistance?' section with contact information for general Indiana assistance (1-866-960-3023) and LimsNet-specific assistance (LimsNet Help link or 317-921-5506).

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Welcome Mark Glazier

Choose Site:

07/01/2025: ATTENTION! As indicated in emails sent to our clinical submitters, please note that **starting July 1, 2025, the IDOH Laboratory will begin enforcement of the CLIA required sample shipping times and temperatures for all clinical samples. Those required times and temperatures for clinical samples can be found [here](#).**

06/23/2025: CT/GC submitters: Rectal, endocervical, and penile urethra specimens for chlamydia and gonorrhea testing must be collected by a clinician. Patient-collected rectal, endocervical, and penile urethral specimens are not acceptable. Urine and vaginal specimens may be patient-collected.

As of 06/23/2025, the IDOH Laboratory specimen submission portal (LimsNet), will require selection of "patient-collected" or "clinician-

Need Assistance?

For Access Indiana assistance, call 1-866-960-3023.
For LimsNet assistance, Click [LimsNet Help](#) or call 317-921-5506 .

Problems Logging In

If you see the following error messages:

- Your username and/or password is incorrect, or
- Your password has expired
- Click [here](#) for a password reset email to be sent to you, or
- Call the help desk at 317-921-5506



Entering a Sample



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Using LimsNet

- Click the drop-down menu under "log new order"
- Choose desired test (in this example we will be completing a rabies request form)

247 unsubmitted tests. Amanda Berlon Site: ABC TESTING SITE

Log new order: Rabies [Submit Tests](#) [Packages](#) [Test Results](#) [Personalized Settings](#)
[Log Off](#)

Rabies Examination
INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH LABORATORIES
[Specimen Collection, Packaging & Shipping Instructions](#)
Samples will be analyzed by *Protocol for Postmortem Diagnosis of Rabies in Animals by Direct Fluorescent Antibody Testing*(Rabies Fluorescent Antibody, CDC Protocol).

Submitter Information

Type of Submitter : * Animal Control Sample Id :

Exposure Information

*Human Exposure? ☐ No ☐ Yes

First Name: Last Name:

Street Address:

City: State: ZIP:

Phone:

Date of Exposure: Type Of Exposure:
☐ Scratch ☐ Bite ☐ Handling
☐ Proximity ☐ Other

☒ Additional Persons Exposed

Sample Demographic Information

- If you have an internal sample ID, or name of pet, enter it under "submitter information, sample ID"
- Enter all required data noted by red asterisks "*" "*****"
- Note: LimsNet updates may result in additional red asterisks "*" "

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☒ Additional Persons Exposed

Sample information

- **Please provide as much sample information as possible. If unknown, please type "UNKNOWN."

- Enter required information as indicated by red asterisks "*", along with any other relevant information.

If No Human Exposure, Why is this sample being submitted?			
Type Of Animal :*	Note: If animal species is not found on the list, please call the Rabies Laboratory supervisor at 317-921-5842.	Identify breed, Color Marking	
Bat ▼			
Specimen Type:*	-- Select a value -- ▼		
Street Address Where animal was collected:			
City:		State:*	ZIP:
County :*	0 -- Select County ▼	GPS Coordinates	Longitude: Latitude:
Date of Death of Animal:		Date Specimen Shipped:*	
Date Collected :*			


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Bat			
Specimen Type:*	Whole animal		
Street Address Where animal was collected:		123 Main Street	
City:	Anywhere	State:*	IN ZIP: 46202
County :*	50 -- Marion	GPS Coordinates	Longitude: Latitude:
Date of Death of Animal:	7/20/25	Date Specimen Shipped:*	7/21/2025
Date Collected :*	7/21/2025		

Clinical information - animal

- Continue to enter all known information. At the bottom, click "SAVE"
- When all data has been entered correctly, this message will display:
A yellow rectangular box with a thin black border. Inside, the text "*** Successfully created test ***" is written in red. A small grey button with the word "Save" in black is located in the bottom right corner of the box.
- NOTE: If you do not see this message, please review the form to enter missing and required information, then click "SAVE" again. Next, you will electronically SUBMIT your test to the Rabies lab and PRINT the cover page to send with the animal. Please see the following slides for instructions.

Clinical Information regarding the animal			
Did the animal exhibit any of the following rabies symptoms? (Check all that apply)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Convulsions	<input type="checkbox"/> Aggression	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to eat or drink	
<input type="checkbox"/> Excessive salivation	<input type="checkbox"/> Paralysis	<input type="checkbox"/> Noticable change in behavior	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Signs/Symptoms			
Was animal immunized <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown			
Specimen Frozen? <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes			
If Treated by Veterinarian		Last	
Veterinarian, First Name:		Name:	
Street Address:			
City:		State:	ZIP:
Phone:			
<div>Save</div>			



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Submitting a Sample: Printing Cover Page

Submitting a Sample

- Click on “submit tests”
- When you are ready to send a sample(s) to the IDOH Laboratory, select the desired entries under the SEND column and click “submit checked samples”
- You may edit and/or delete a test requested from this screen

248 unsubmitted tests.

Log new order: --- Select One --- [Submit Tests](#) [Packages](#) [Test Results](#) [Personalized Settings](#) [Log Off](#)

Site: ABC TESTING SITE

Unsubmitted Samples

☐ Select All

Send	Edit	Delete	Date Created	Collection Date	Due In Lab	Patient ID	First Name	Last Name	Test Type	User Name
★	Edit	Delete	9/14/2023 11:09 AM	9/14/2023	N/A				Rabies	aberlon@health.in.gov
<input type="checkbox"/>	Edit	Delete	3/15/2023 12:00 AM	3/13/2023			3972744	Marion	WNV_With_Results	rbeebe
<input type="checkbox"/>	Edit	Delete	3/15/2023 12:00 AM	3/14/2023			3972734	Marion	WNV_With_Results	rbeebe
<input type="checkbox"/>	Edit	Delete	11/14/2022 1:28 PM	11/14/2022			Autum Foster	Prairie Farms - Holland...	Dairy	sithra
<input type="checkbox"/>	Edit	Delete	10/27/2022 12:00 AM	10/18/2022			3905153	Clay	WNV	sithra
<input type="checkbox"/>	Edit	Delete	10/25/2022 11:13 AM	10/24/2022			Glenn Goss	Amish Country Dairy...	Dairy	sbhumana
<input type="checkbox"/>	Edit	Delete	9/13/2022 6:02 PM	9/13/2022			Amy Pettijohn	Con Agra Foods...	Dairy	sithra
<input type="checkbox"/>	Edit	Delete	8/25/2022 12:00 AM	8/16/2022			3871450	Blackford	WNV	sithra
<input type="checkbox"/>	Edit	Delete	7/22/2022 12:00 AM	7/20/2021			3845548	Cass	WNV	sithra
<input type="checkbox"/>	Edit	Delete	7/22/2022 12:00 AM	7/20/2021			3845549	Cass	WNV	sithra

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...

Records Per Page: 10

Carrier: Tracking Number:

[Submit Checked Samples](#) [Packaging Instructions](#)

IDOH Laboratory will be closed on the following state holidays.
Upcoming holidays in the next 7 days: None

Printing Cover Page

- After clicking “submit checked samples,” a pop-up containing the cover page will appear
 - This cover page contains a bar code and information for each sample
- **Print** this page and include it with your sample submission
- **Please, do not write on this cover page**

Rabies Samples Requested By ABC TESTING SITE			
Samples will be analyzed by <i>Protocol for Postmortem Diagnosis of Rabies in Animals by Direct Fluorescent Antibody Testing</i> (Rabies Fluorescent Antibody, CDC Protocol).			
Package ID:	1446122		9/14/2023
Submitter Org:	ABC TESTING SITE	Submitter ID:	990
Submitter Name:		Phone:	317-921-5500
<hr/>			
C23048687			
First Name			
Last Name			
Sample ID	0		
Date of Birth			
Test Type	Rabies		
Collection Date	09/14/2023		
<hr/>			
Mailing Address:			
Indiana Department of Health Laboratories 550 W 16th Street, Suite B			

Troubleshooting Cover Page

If your cover page pop-up doesn't appear, the pop-up blocker on your computer may be turned on. You may either turn it off, or follow these instructions:

1. Click on "packages"
2. Click on "cover page" for appropriate sample or ship date
3. Check the pop-up blocker on your computer to allow pop-ups for this site

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Package Status

	PackageID	Assay	ShipDate	Carrier	TrackingNumber	# Samples	
Select	1446122	Rabies	9/14/2023			1	Cover Page
Select	1443901	Biothreat	8/18/2023			1	Cover Page
Select	1442728	Rabies	8/4/2023			1	Cover Page
Select	1442609	Water Sample Submission	8/2/2023	N/A	0	1	Cover Page
Select	1441480	HIV/Hep	7/19/2023	n/a	n/a	1	Cover Page
Select	1440659	CTGC	7/8/2023			1	Cover Page

Viewing reports requires a PDF reader. You can download [Adobe's Acrobat PDF reader](#) free.



Test Result Search



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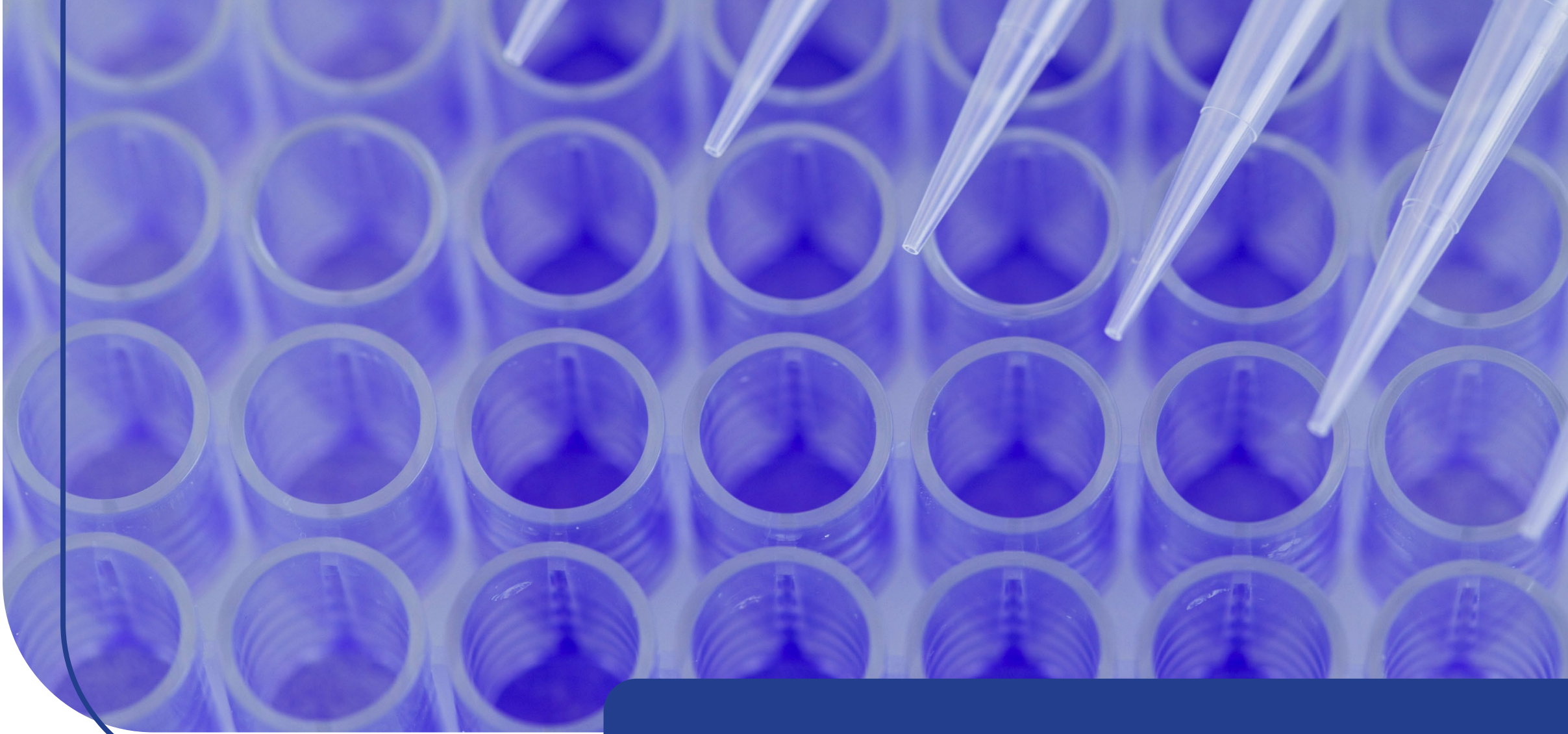
Test result search

Click on "test results"

1. Enter collection date range and first and last name of exposed person (if applicable). If you used an Internal ID or pet name, enter it in the patient ID field. Select test type (rabies).
2. Click "released" radio button for completed search results only
3. Click "search"

Select report from list and click "view" to print. Be sure the status is "released." A pop-up window will appear with your report. You may print from that screen by hovering at the bottom, or by right-clicking

The screenshot shows a web application interface for searching test results. At the top, a blue header bar contains the text "247 unsubmitted tests." and "Site: ABC TESTING SITE". Below this, there is a navigation bar with links: "Log new order: --- Select One ---", "Submit Tests", "Packages", "Test Results" (highlighted with a red box), and "Personalized Settings". A "Log Off" link is also present. The main section is titled "Search Test Results". It contains several input fields: "Collection Date:" with "From" and "To" date pickers (8/15/2023 and 9/14/2023 respectively, both highlighted with a red box); "Sample Number (C180xxxxx)" with a text input; "Patient Name: First" and "Last" with text inputs; "Patient ID: ID" and "OpSCAN ID" with text inputs; "Testtype" with a dropdown menu showing "Name --- All test types ---" (highlighted with a red box); and "Site" with a dropdown menu showing "Name --- All Sites -- (0)". Below these, there is a "Status" section with radio buttons: "Unshipped", "In Transit", "Pending", "Released" (highlighted with a red box), and "All statuses" (selected). A "Search" button is at the bottom left, also highlighted with a red box.



Sample Integrity



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Sample Collection

Sample types:

- Animal head
- Bats (whole animal)

Packaging:

- Place sample in leak-proof container
- Place leak-proof container in insulated shipping carton with cold packs (do not use wet ice)
- Place LimsNet cover sheet in separate zipper baggie, then place in shipping container
- Ship to IDOH Laboratory as soon as possible via courier, UPS, or FedEx

Sample Storage

All samples should be stored refrigerated (2-8⁰C) until shipped.

- Freezing is not recommended; thawing may delay testing for up to 24 hours
- Samples should be submitted via LimsNet
- For further submission guidance, please refer to the IDOH Laboratory Service Manual for Rabies at:
<https://www.in.gov/health/laboratories/testing/rabies/>



Changing Your Personal Settings

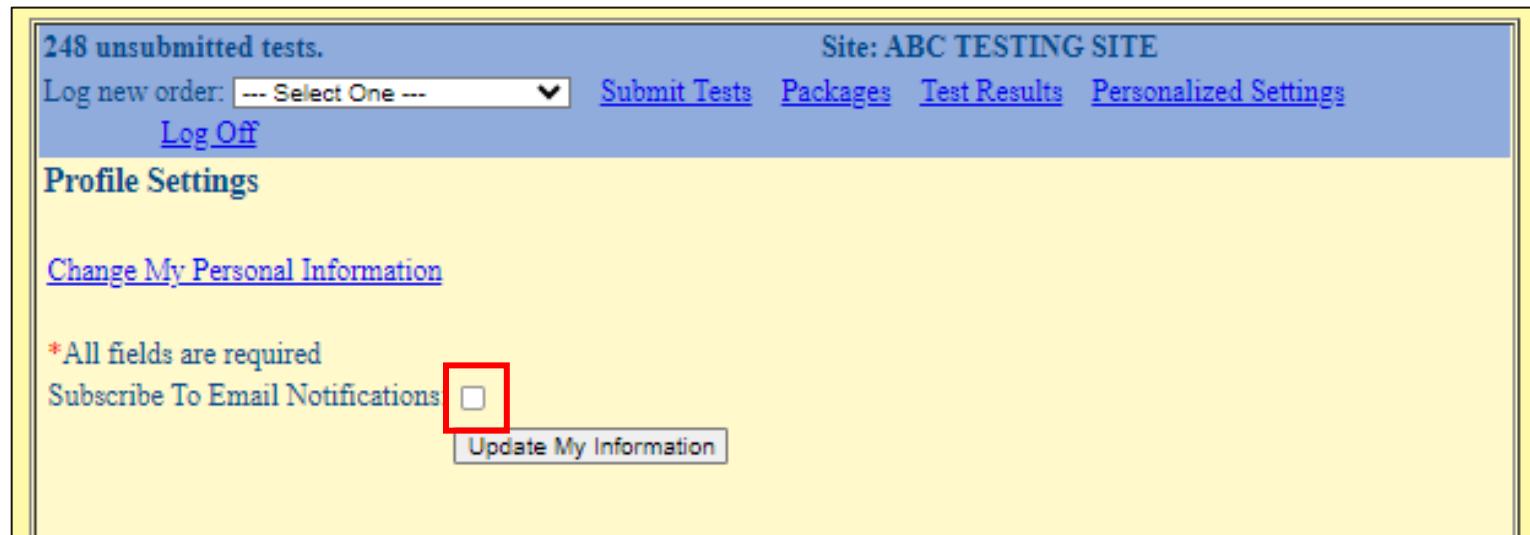


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Change My Personal Information

You may also check this box to subscribe to email notifications, allowing you to receive an email when a test result is posted.

If any changes are made, you must click on “update my Information.”



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[Log Off](#)

Profile Settings

[Change My Personal Information](#)

*All fields are required

Subscribe To Email Notifications ☐

Change My Password Recovery Question

To change your recovery question/answer:

1. Enter your current password
2. Choose your question from the list
3. Provide your recovery answer
4. When finished, click "update"

Contact Information

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317-921-5555

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Questions?

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